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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices were unchanged in Chicago and New York. In most other locations, prices were lower on all sizes. The market tone was about steady entering the holiday week. Demand was light to moderate, at times good where features were a factor. Supplies were sufficient to occasionally ample for trade needs. Breaking stock demand was light for fully adequate to ample offerings. Light type hens were fully sufficient to ample for reduced slaughter schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 4 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged to 1.5 cents lower on mediums; in Boston, prices were unchanged to 4 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged to 1 cent lower on mediums, when based on previous week average pricing. In New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was about steady. Demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate to ample for the fair demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient to ample for processing requirements.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were down 5 cents for the larger sizes, 3 cents lower for medium and unchanged for small. Prices to producers in Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was moderate to at times fairly good. Food service movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to available with jumbos reported as tight in some areas. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were ample. Demand was light and unaggressive as breakers refused outside loads. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample and building. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The trade sentiment was barely steady to weak. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate and best where features are a factor. Supplies available.

SOUTHERN In Atlanta and Florida, prices were lower on all sizes. The market tone was about steady. Demand was mostly light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending June 28, 2002 was 62.42 cents, which was 0.83 cents less than a week earlier, but 6.02 cents more than last year. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate to ample for the fair demand. Light type fowl were fully sufficient to ample for reduced processing schedules.

WESTERN Prices 3-4 cents lower on jumbo, 5-6 cents lower on extra large and large, and 3-4 cents lower on medium. The Pacific region inventory was 5% higher than last Monday with California unchanged and Oregon-Washington-Utah up 16%. Retailer demand mainly moderate. Offerings ample.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was about steady entering the holiday week. Retail demand ranged light to moderate. Supplies were fully adequate to ample for present needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DLVRD STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DZ.

	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST CITIES			
Boston (Brown)	95-97	88-90	71-73
New York	61-65	59-63	50-54
Philadelphia	59-65	58-63	49-53.5
SOUTHERN CITIES			
Atlanta (1) (2)	53-61	51-57	40-45
Jackson (1)	66-68	63-65	48-50
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	60-72	57-69	47-58
MIDWEST CITIES			
Chicago	50-54	48-52	40-44
Detroit (2)	46-51	45-50	40-44
Major Ohio Cities (2)	48-52	47-50	38-42
Major Wisconsin Cities	49-56	48-54	40-45
WESTERN CITIES			
Houston (1)	69-71	66-68	56-58
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	90	83	72
(1) - Prices reported weekly	(2) - Delivered Warehouse		
(3) - Reported Invoice prices			

CALIFORNIA Prices 3 cents lower on jumbo, 5 cents lower on extra large and large, and 3 cents lower on medium and small. The California inventory was unchanged from last Monday. Retailer demand improved to mainly moderate. Offerings ample. Small benchmark price 52. Ads in Northern California: major- large 18 pack 99-188, buy 1 get 1 free; smaller outlets-large dozen 119-149. California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	100
EXTRA LARGE	90
LARGE	83
MEDIUM	72

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA		NORTHERN CALIFORNIA	
	RANGE		RANGE
JUMBO	239-299	JUMBO	235-289
EXTRA LARGE	229-279	EXTRA LARGE	219-259
LARGE	199-219	LARGE	195-239
MEDIUM	179-199	MEDIUM	169-199

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT

Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending July 05, 2002 will increase by 6 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending June 28, 2002 were 242,472 cases which was 4 percent below the prior week and 2 percent below estimates.

	CARTONED	LOOSE	TOTAL
Cases purchased present week.....	201,792	40,680	242,472
% change from the prior week.....	-4	-0	-4

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Prices were unchanged. Offerings were ample. Demand was light and unaggressive as breakers refused outside loads. Floor stocks fully adequate to ample and building. Schedules mixed. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	32-34	32
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	15-20	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged to slightly lower when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to fair with reduced needs. Offerings were fully adequate. Processing schedules were reported as less than normal. Finished product supplies were irregular but were at least adequate for trade needs. The undertone was steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-JUL-02.

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	4.75-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8-9	8.52
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged from the past week. Demand was light for fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Slaughter schedules were reduced for the holiday week. Finished sales were only fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)* FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 01-JUL-02

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	5-11.75 CENTS/LB.	8.25-9	8.75
*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.			

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM JULY 01, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
	Northeast	CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.1	13.3	6.3	10.6	11.1 52.4
	Change	-0.8	-5.2	-1.4	-0.9	-0.1 -14%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	30.2	39.3	18.8	23.2	32.2 143.7
	Change	-2.3	-12.9	3.5	0.4	-5.2 -10%
Large	Curr Wk	50.4	127.1	73.2	80.2	130.6 461.5
	Change	1.9	0.6	9.3	15.1	14.6 10%
Medium	Curr Wk	17.0	50.1	21.4	21.8	34.4 144.7
	Change	3.7	7.7	3.7	-0.1	3.7 15%
Small	Curr Wk	6.8	7.3	4.3	2.2	5.7 26.3
	Change	0.3	0.8	-0.1	-0.4	-0.2 2%
Misc	Curr Wk	4.0	21.1	11.2	12.3	7.2 55.8
	Change	-0.7	3.9	-1.0	1.2	-0.4 6%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	17.4	58.2	18.7	28.2	33.6 156.1
	Change	-1.6	-0.4	2.4	-1.1	-0.2 -1%
Total	Curr Wk	136.9	316.4	153.9	178.5	254.8 1040.5
Percent	Change	0%	-2%	12%	9%	5% 4%

TOTAL Number of Cases Percent Change Number of Cooperators

Shell Egg	1040.5	4%	173
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	313.0	2%	38
Total Shell Egg	1353.5	3%	211

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 173 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JUNE 17, 2002

GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	181.4	178.4	169.4	113.6
MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JUNE 17, 2002 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.				
GRADE A	XLARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
	141	141	131	77

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR JUNE 28, 2002

CURRENT LOADS		34.50		FUTURE LOADS		18.75		TOTAL LOADS		53.25					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	36.00	—	—	38.00	—	—	3.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	56.25	60.25	1.00
GNR W 3	—	—	33.00	34.00	—	—	1.00	GL W XL	—	42.00	—	—	—	42.00	10.00
GL W XL	—	51.00	44.00	46.00	34.25	38.00	6.50	GL W LG	—	44.00	—	—	—	41.00	2.50
GL W LG	—	—	—	—	32.96	35.00	5.50	GL W MD	29.89	34.00	—	—	—	34.29	6.25
GL W MD	—	—	31.50	33.00	—	—	2.50	NRBS - 48	—	—	—	38.00	—	—	2.00
NRBS - 48	—	—	32.50	33.50	30.34	32.43	16.25	NRBS - 45	23.00	—	—	—	—	—	2.00
NRBS - 45	—	—	29.00	30.00	—	—	2.25								
NRBS - 42	—	—	—	—	22.00	24.50	2.00								

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES— WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 06/24/02-06/28/02

CURRENT LOADS		141.25		FUTURE LOADS		58.25		TOTAL LOADS		199.50					
CLASS	SE		NE		MW		LOADS	CLASS	SC		NW		SW		LOADS
	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST			ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	
GNR W 1	37.00	45.00	39.00	39.33	—	—	15.00	GL W J	—	—	—	—	56.25	60.09	2.75
GNR W 2	—	—	—	39.50	—	35.50	4.00	GL W XL	—	43.29	—	—	—	47.42	26.00
GNR W 3	—	—	31.50	32.50	—	—	2.00	GL W LG	36.50	43.33	—	—	—	42.61	24.00
GNR W 4	—	28.00	—	—	23.75	—	1.00	GL W MD	29.46	34.29	—	—	—	34.55	14.50
GNR BR 1	—	—	45.00	46.00	—	—	1.00	GL W SM	21.50	—	—	—	—	36.50	1.00
GL W J	—	—	—	—	49.25	—	1.00	NRBS - 48	35.00	34.00	—	38.56	—	—	12.00
GL W XL	—	49.33	47.83	47.14	36.19	38.00	45.75	NRBS - 45	25.00	—	—	—	—	—	4.00
GL W LG	—	46.67	33.25	44.12	34.30	35.00	36.50								
GL W MD	—	38.00	36.42	37.33	26.52	35.00	14.75								
GL W SM	—	—	23.50	25.50	19.50	20.50	2.00								
NRBS - 50	—	—	25.00	27.00	—	—	.25								
NRBS - 48	—	32.56	32.50	35.50	30.49	32.38	75.25								
NRBS - 45	—	—	29.00	30.00	—	29.00	4.25								
NRBS - 42	—	27.00	—	—	22.83	24.50	3.00								
NRBS - 39	—	—	20.00	22.00	—	22.90	10.50								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA 06/16/02 - 06/22/02

State	Number Cases Shipped To Northern CA	Number Cases Shipped To Central CA	Number Cases Shipped To Southern CA	Total State
Colorado	903	0	8,943	9,846
Iowa	5,685	2,455	31,190	39,330
Michigan	0	0	1,640	1,640
Minnesota	0	6,704	4,050	10,754
Missouri	0	0	780	780
Ohio	0	740	1,662	2,402
Oregon	1,448	90	0	1,538
Texas	0	0	780	780
Utah	720	690	5,229	6,639
Wisconsin	300	0	1,584	1,884
TOTAL	9,056	10,679	55,858	75,593

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
117-120	76-79	69-72	52-55	25-28

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

JUMBO	EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
52-62	46-49	43-48	37-41	23-27

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
29-32	22-26	6-9

COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS (In Thousands)

ON HAND	06/24/02	06/17/02	06/25/01
PACIFIC COAST	261	282	299
LOS ANGELES	246	257	264

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

Receipts from the mainland: 6/16/02-6/22/02
30-dozen cases 6,266

Receipts from the mainland: 6/9/02-6/15/02
30-dozen cases 6,852

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

EX-LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
76.16	73.16	62.16	46.27

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